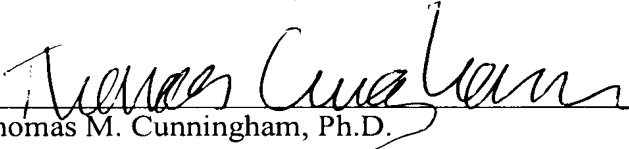


The Applicants also reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected claims and remind the Office that 35 U.S.C. §121 prohibits the use of a patent issuing on an application with respect to which a requirement for restriction has been made, or on an application filed as a result of such a requirement, as a reference against any divisional application, MPEP 804.01. The Applicants now respectfully request an early examination on the merits.

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